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MOSCOW FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN

1. FRG FINANCE MINISTER SCHMIDT INFORMED SECRETARY SHULTZ MARCH 25 THAT FRG CABINET HAS APPROVED OFFSET AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE, AS DESCRIBED REFTEL.
 2. DRAFT US TEXT OF NEW AGREEMENT HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED TO FRG GOVERNMENT THROUGH GERMAN EMBASSY HERE. GERMANS AND WE
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MUST STILL IRON OUT CERTAIN MINOR POINTS AND DEVELOP MUTUAL-

LY ACCEPTABLE FORMULATIONS.

3. IN OUR VIEW, REMAINING WORK CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED MOST EXPEDITIOUSLY BY SENDING SMALL (THREE TO FOUR MAN) EXPERTS TEAM TO BONN IN ORDER, WITH ASSISTANCE OF APPROPRIATE EMBASSY OFFICERS, TO WORK OUT AGREED TEXT OF OFFSET AGREEMENT WITH FRG TEAM. WHILE DELAYS AND SNAGS IN NEGOTIATIONS MAY DEVELOP, WE HOPE THAT NECESSARY PREPARATIONS COULD BE COMPLETED IN TIME FOR YOU, AS US OFFSET NEGOTIATOR, TO SIGN AGREEMENT DURING BONN STOPOVER ON YOUR RETURN FROM MOSCOW END OF THIS WEEK.

4. SHOULD IT BE IMPOSSIBLE TO HAVE AGREEMENT READY FOR SIGNATURE THAT QUICKLY, OR SHOULD YOU FIND IT INCONVENIENT IN TERMS OF YOUR SCHEDULE TO VISIT BONN FOR THIS PURPOSE, WE WOULD PLAN ASK AMBASSADOR HILLENBRAND TO SIGN NEW OFFSET AGREEMENT ON YOUR BEHALF. RUSH

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